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I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled SHAFT ASSEMBLY SAFETY MECHANISM (Attorney Docket No. 091395-9214 (4596-TC-AU)), the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims referred to above.

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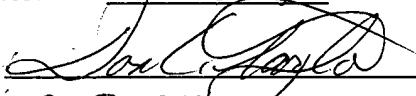
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